SENATE BILL 1807 By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-5-101, relative to child support orders.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-5-101(a)(5), is amended by deleting the language:

Such judgment shall not be subject to modification as to any time period or any amounts due prior to the date that an action for modification is filed and notice of the action has been mailed to the last known address of the opposing parties.

and by substituting instead the following language:

Such judgment shall not be subject to modification as to any time period or any amounts due prior to the date that an action for modification is filed and notice of the action has been mailed to the last known address of the opposing parties; provided, however, that a judgment shall be subject to modification as of the date that a child reaches eighteen (18) years of age notwithstanding the date that the department files a petition for the modification or termination of such order or provides the appropriate notice pursuant to subdivision (a)(6).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-5-101(a)(6)(B), is amended by deleting all language preceding the punctuation ":" and by substituting instead the following language:

(B) If the following conditions are met, then the department immediately shall seek termination of the order on behalf of the obligor, and shall provide the obligee with notice of the filing of the petition to terminate such order

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.